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Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Saburo SONE et al.

Application No.: 09/864,364

Filed: May 25, 2001

For: NON-HUMAN ANIMAL
EXHIBITING BONE METASTASIS
OF TUMOR CELLS

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Applicants now reply to the Office Action dated January 16, 2002. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace page 25 of the specification with the enclosed substitute page 25.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6, 8, and 20, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1-5, 7, 9, 10, 13-16, 24 and 25 to read:

A¹ 547 (Amended) A rodent bone metastasis model animal exhibiting bone metastasis of tumor cells, in which tumor cells that induce bone metastasis have been introduced by peripheral administration, and wherein the animal is immunodeficient.